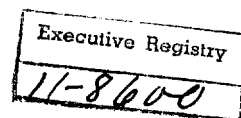


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The Honorable  
Allen W. Dulles  
Director  
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Washington 25, D.C.

Dear Allen:

Many thanks for your letter of September 12th. And I am grateful for your continuing knowledge of my desire to visit China.

Yes, I shall of course be greatly interested in any comments Ambassador Beam or Assistant Secretary Parsons may make - though I continue to be hesitant about invading your crowded schedule.

And please know how much I continue to admire you for the remarkable job you are performing as one of our top public servants.

Sincerely,

*William Benton*  
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Harrington agreed with me  
that you should carry  
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